IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

of: MICHAEL GUTIN 09/927,349

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR HANDLING OPTICAL PULSE SIGNALS

Art Unit: 2872

Examiner: E. P. CHERRY

Washington, D.C.

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Date: May 11, 2004

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Customer Window, Mail Stop Fee Amendment Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03 Arlington, Virginia 22202

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [X] REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- No fee is required.

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	х	43	\$				
	+	145	\$				
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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Sir:

Replying to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2004, please amend as

follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

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